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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEW VIRGINIA:

IN RE:

ELECTION DAY HOLIDAY-CLERK'S OFFICE AND COURT TO REMAIN

ACCESSIBLE SOLELY FOR ACTIONS RELATED TO ELECTION

ORDER

PURSUANT to §2.2-3300 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Election Day is a legal holiday. Section 2.2-3301 of the Code of Virginia provides that legal proceedings on legal holidays are not invalid. The Clerk and the Court will remain accessible to file and hear actions solely relating to the election in a timely manner should such matters arise.

UPON CONSIDERATION THEREOF, it is hereby **ORDERED** as follows:

1. The Clerk's Office will remain accessible during its normal operating hours and until two hours after the polls close solely for the limited purpose of filing any action or matter related to the election and setting expedited hearings as required by the Court or by law. The Clerk's Office shall be otherwise closed to other business and shall not accept filings in any other action or matter. The Clerk will provide a method for accepting filings in relation to the election at the Clerk's discretion.

- 2. The Court will be available for hearings as determined by law by a Judge of this Court during its normal operating hours and until two hours after the polls close.
- 3. The Newport News Sheriff's Office will provide security as needed for the Clerk's Office and the Court and will coordinate same with the Clerk.
- 4. This Order remains in effect from November 3, 2020 and on each Election Day thereafter until revoked by law or a subsequent order of this Court.

The Clerk shall post a copy of this Order and any related notices.

ENTERD THIS 27 DAY OF OCTOBER, 2020.

Christopher R. Papile, Chief Judge